

PARISH OF ACKWORTH - ST CUTHBERT'S AND ALL SAINTS'

Rector: Revd Peter Moorhouse, The Rectory, High Ackworth 780880

Sunday Services:

St Cuthbert's: 10 15 am The Parish Communion

All Saints': 8 30 am Holy Communion (2nd Sunday, 1662 Prayer Book)

6 30 pm Evensong (2nd Sunday, Holy Communion)

Mid Week Services

Tuesday: 9 15 am Holy Communion, St Cuthbert's Church
Wednesday: 9 15 am Holy Communion, All Saints' Church

Holy Days: As announced in church and the Calendar

Guide and Brownie Parade

and Family Communion: 2nd Sunday in the month

Service for Mothers 2nd and 4th Tuesdays in the month (except August),

and Toddlers: 2 pm at All Saints' Church

Baptisms: Normally take place at the 10 15 am Parish Communion on the

last Sunday in the month.

Ministry to the Sick: Please inform the Rector of anyone who is in hospital or

very ill at home

WHO TO CONTACT IF

You want a lift to church:

Mrs Ann Tait, 5 King's Close, Ackworth 612613

You want to join the Stewardship Envelope Scheme:

Miss Ada Pritchard, 4 Oddfellows Clubhouses 611086

You want to covenant your giving:

Mr John Gardham, Tenter Ings House, 83 Pontefract Road 794500

You want a magazine delivered:

Mrs Mollie Gardham, Tenter Ings House, 83 Pontefract Road 794500

You wish to put flowers in church:

Mrs Phyllis Asquith, 70 Pontefract Road 704732 - St Cuthbert's Church

Miss Ethel Smith, 'Solentia', Wakefield Road 611258 - All Saints' Church

You want to help clean the churches:

Mr Fred Davies, 40 Barnsley Road 610694 - St Cuthbert's Church

Miss Ethel Smith, 'Solentia', Wakefield Road 611258 - All Saints' Church

You want to get married, or have a baby baptised:

The Revd Peter Moorhouse, The Rectory, High Ackworth 780880

RECTOR'S NOTES

Readers' Licensing Service

On Sunday 18 October Dr Doreen Belk is to be licensed as a Reader at St George's Church, Barnsley. In the Church of England a Reader is a lay person who is licensed by the Bishop to lead church services. Reader

usually minister in one parish, but are able to help out in other parishes if there is a need, eg if the vicar is on holiday. Readers work in partnership with the clergy. It is important to remember that they are not ordained ministers and like other lay people have a job to do! Any help that is given is done so on a voluntary basis according to the time they have available. It is also important to bear in mind that in the absence of the Rector it is the churchwardens who have responsibility for the parish, and general enquiries about parish life should be addressed to them.

What do Readers do?

One of the main functions of a Reader is in assisting with church worship. This includes preaching sermons, reading lessons, leading prayers, conducting services such as Evensong, and helping at the Eucharist by administering the sacrament of Holy Communion. In addition Readers may take Holy Communion to the sick in their homes. Readers may also conduct funeral services both in church and at the crematorium. In these various ways Doreen will assist in the worshipping life of the parish.

Readers also take a lead in other aspects of the church's ministry according to their own gifts and interests. This may include pastoral work; working with children and young people; or teaching the Christian faith, for example by leading study groups. All this comes after a three year period of training involving much study, the writing of many essays and a considerable commitment of time and energy.

It is entirely appropriate that Doreen's licensing should take place on October 18, which is St Luke's Day (Luke was a doctor too). Unfortunately there is only limited space at the church, and so tickets will have to be by invitation from Doreen.

'Better Together', a Conference on Shared Ministry

Readers are but one way in which lay people help with the ministry of the church. Any job done by lay people, whether it be cleaning the church or the brasses, doing the flowers, visiting the elderly, assisting with services or whatever, is a sharing in the church's ministry. As clergy numbers decrease the emphasis on lay ministry will increase, and some jobs which have traditionally been done only by the clergy will in future be shared with lay people. This is already happening in Ackworth, eg visiting families bringing children for babtism, and preparing couples for marriage. This idea of 'shared ministry' will be explored further by parishes from the Dioceses of Wakefield, Ripon, Bradford and Sheffield at a conference on Saturday 10 October at Gildersome Parish Church. Ackworth will be represented at this meeting by myself and four members of the Church Council.

Peter Northouse.

THE ARCHBISHOP'S PILGRIMAGE TO TAIZE



AUGUST 1992

"The queues, the loos, the cold showers, and the even colder 'hot' chocolate" ran the refrain to our 'Introduction to Taize by two Old Hands' which made up part of the Archbishop's Welcoming Service in

Canterbury Cathedral. We later found that those pretty well summed up the secular aspects of living in the Taize Community. It did not, however, do justice to the main reasons for going there which were: the diversity of countries represented, and the worship around which everything else was centred.

But perhaps we move too fast What and where is Taize? It is a religious community founded by Brother Roger during the second world war. He had a vision for a place where the differences between nations could be forgotten and he chose a tiny village near Cluny, Eastern France to set up his idea. After the War, other brothers of many nations began to join him. To their surprise people began to visit Taize in their hundreds as a place of pilgrimage. Now they regularly have 5000 visitors a week, most of whom are young people.

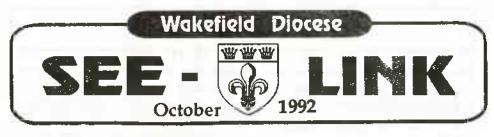
When the Archbishop visited Canberra last year for an international conference, Brother Roger asked him if he was going to visit Taize in the near future. His reply, by his own admission, was that he would come if he could bring 1000 young Anglicans with him!

We were really lucky to get a place with the group from Wakefield Diocese, though we weren't so sure after twenty-four hours of travelling by coach. One of the more tongue-in-check questions to the Archbishop during a meeting with him later in the week was whether he had enjoyed his flight over to France!

On arriving, you had to choose one of four ways to spend your week:—Sources of Faith or Bible Groups, which were full-time study and discussion groups; the Silence Group, who spent the morning in discussion and the rest of the time in contemplation; or the Work Group who met for Bible Study in the morning and helped to run Taize the rest of the time. We opted for the latter group as it gave the best opportunity to meet and talk to people from the other countries. We spent the afternoons in the small bazaar, selling bottles of water and soft drinks it was very not that week!) along with Poles, Italians, Hungarians and other English. In the mornings we formed a discussion group of three English, four French and one French-speaking Romanian. It took a long time to say much, but the translating (or attempts at charades, if all else failed!) was half the fun.

The church services are hard to describe to do justice to them. The famous Taize chants are sung throughout each of the three daily services. The short jesson is read in about ten different languages. A noticeable feature as the ten minutes silence in each service which was much appreciated during our busy days. It is possible to go to Taize and spend most of your time in solitary contemplation, but it is very easy to be caught up in the buzz that is constantly present in such a unique situation.

It was a very memorable experience for both of us. One essential item that we recommend you pack before you leave, however, is a cushion - the bare concrete floor gets very hard after a week:



Bishop Nigel writes: Prayer and Fasting

It is very important that the vote on the ordination of women to the priesthood should be approached prayerfully.

That is why I am asking every parish in this diocese to join in a Vigil of Prayer on Friday 6th November – and, where possible, to make it a Day of Fasting.

In every Church

My hope is that at some time during that day (the time does not matter) there will be a period of prayer in EVERY church. The one essential is that whatever takes place should not be a partisan praying for or against the ordination of women. The vigil should be a time of waiting on God, seeking God's will for our future together.

Prayer material

At my invitation, a group representing every shade of opinion has prepared some excellent material to use during the time of prayer.

There is a series of prayers and readings on the theme God of Hope, God of Unity, God of Acceptance and God who Listens. There is also a service on the theme of penitence and intercession for the Church to be One, Charismatic, Evangelistic, Catholic, Obedient, Apostolic and Holy.

A third service is a novena of prayer focusing on ministry in God's church.

This material does not have to be used – but it is available from my Chaplain (Bishop's Lodge) for those who would like a copy.

The Westminster Prayer

There is, however, one prayer which I would like EVERY congregation to use - if possible at every service. Widely used by every shade of churchmanship already, it is called the Westminster Prayer:

Guide, O God, the Church of England through this time of decision concerning the ministry of women; grant that convictions strongly held may be voiced and heard with charity; give wisdom to members of the General Synod; and when the decision is made surround with your love those of our brothers and sisters to whom it causes pain. Give to your whoie Church the Spirit of truth and peace, that celebrating your gifts in each other we may serve you in humility and joy. We ask this for the sake of our great High Priest, your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

+ Ngue Waterfreid

PS. Next month there will be a report on Bishop Richard's farewell – and a personal tribute from me about his outstanding ministry over the past 21 years.

People and Places

The Ven Kenneth Unwin, has been appointed Archdeacon Emeritus by The Bishop of Wakefield.

The Rev Canon Edward Gee, The Rev Canon John Lodge and The Rev Canon Roy Matthews, have been appointed Canons Emeriti by the Bishop of Wakefield.

The Rev Geoffrey Banks, Vicar of St Andrew's Holmfield, Halifax, has also been appointed Diocesan Europe Contact Person.

The Rev Michael C E Bootes OGS, formerly Vicar of St Mary Magdelene's Lundwood, Barnsley, is now the Assistant Priest at St Giles with St Mary Pontefract. Licensed on Sunday 13th Sept 1992, +NW.

The Ven John Flack will be Installed as Archdeacon of Pontefract in Wakefield Cathedral on Sunday 4th Oct 1992, 6.30 pm, +NW. (See page 4).

The Rev Peter William Goodman, will be Licensed as Assistant Curate of St George's Ovenden, Halifax on Sunday 8th Nov 1992, 9.30 am, by the Archdeacon of Halifax (DMH).

The Rev Jean Hoggard, was Licensed as the part-time Assistant Curate of St George's Ovenden, Halifax on Wednesday 2nd Sept 1992, +RP & DMH.

The Rev Denis Anthony Huntley, formerly The Chaplain's Assistant at Walsgrave Hospital Coventry (Coventry Diocese) is now the full-time Chaplain to the Calderdale Hospitals.

The Rev Hugh Norcliffe Lawrance, Assistant Curate of Christ Church Barkistand and St Bartholomew's Deanhead (West Scammonden), and St Bartholomew's Ripponden with St John's Rishworth is to be Vicar of St Botololph's Knottingley.

Institution & Induction on Sunday 8th Nov 1992, 4 pm, +NW & JRF.

The Rev Betty Pedley will be Licensed as Bishop's Chaplain to Youth and Children on Wednesday 23rd Sept 1992, 9.00 am, at Bishop's Lodge, +NW.

The Rev John Michael Wells, formerly CMS Co-ordinator in the Dioceses of Chelmsford and St Ed & lps, is to be the Vicar of St Paul's Hanging Heaton. Institution & Induction on Sunday 27th Sept 1992, 4.00 pm, +NW & JRF.

The Rev Ronald Norman Whittingham, Vicar of St Luke's Silverdale and Alsagers Bank (Lichfield Diocese) is to be Vicar of St Mary's Honley with St George Brockholes. Institution & Induction on Thursday 15th October 1992, 7.30 pm (at Honley), +NW & DMH.

The Rev Richard Swindell, formerly The Assistant Curate (NSM) of St Augustine's Halifax, and

The Rev Paul Wilcock, Head of Student Services, Huddersfield University were licensed as NSM's to The Rev E O Roberts, Vicar of Holy Trinity Church, Huddersfield, 4th Sept 1992, +RP.

Copyright — Serving the Church in Worship.

Today's new technology has brought wonderful advances in communication. The photo-copier, the fax machine, cassette-to-cassette copying . . . all these developments have opened up simple and comparatively cheap ways of spreading the word.

But whose word is it? Every day, thousands of people in Britain unwittingly break the law by making cassette copies of records and CD's ... or simply by photocopying pages from books. Did you know that many 20th Century hymns and choruses are still in copyright? For example, How great thou art and Great is thy faithfulness require permission to be reprinted.

Most people probably have little or no idea that they are acting illegally. For instance, many of the modern translations of the Bible are copyright, and should not be reproduced in print without the permission of the publisher. New versions of traditional

Making a song and dance about copyright

hymns are usually still in copyright.

The most sensitive area of copyright, however, is music. In the recent past, if you wanted to play a tune or sing a song, you had to buy the appropriate sheet music or songbook. Each purchase helped to ensure that the composer or songwriter received a royalty payment, and was rewarded for his or her creativity.

Perhaps without realising it, many churches are depriving fellow-Christians (composers, poets, songwriters and publishers) of their livelihood by copying and using their songs without permission or recompense.

Copyright made simple

The easiest, most straight forward answer to this moral maze is . . . get a Church Copyright Licence. This entitles your Church, for a modest annual outlay, to reproduce the words of songs and hymns



legally in a number of ways: be it photo-copying, duplicating, making transparencies (for OHP's), as well as customised musical arrangements.

The cost of the Licence is based upon your Church's regular attendance figures. Congregation of 50 to 100 each Sunday would require a Licence costing £69 (inc VAT).

Smaller congregations, up to 50, would pay just £38 for one year's Licence.

Regular congregations of 1,000 would pay £196 and those of 1,500 £241, for their Licences.

Churches using only commercially produced OHP transparencies, song or hymnbooks may not need a CCL Licence. Such a Licence does not grant the right to reproduce MUSIC, it is designed to cover WORDS and LYRICS only.

How do I get one?

Write to:- Christian Copyright Licensing, PO Box 1339, Eastbourne BN21 4YF, Sussex. Their phone number is: 0323 417711.



Casting a shadow over Emley

Many in today's society find Christmas has become a commercial festival rather than a religious one. Last Christmas, Emley Church tried to reach out to the local community in a subtle way, hoping to make the villagers think, and possibly talk about the true meaning of Christmas.

Two weeks before Christmas a large metal cutout of the Madonna and Child was placed in front of a spotlight which was used to floodlight the clock. This resulted in a large shadow of the Madonna and Child being cast on the church tower, below the clock. When leaving the local pub you were confronted by an impressive image; quite a talking point!

Other Churches may wish to consider this idea for future use and may like to view Emley's "vision" this Christmas. A few basic points should be considered before embarking on a project like this:-The cutout must be simple and not too large. The structure was heavy and needed strong support, and it is of course essential to make it safe in every respect.

In this Decade of Evangelism we need to find new ways of reaching out, quite what effect this had on people is still to be discovered, it seems! Anyone interested in finding out more should contact Katharine Moorhouse, 0924 848273.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

The Ven John Flack, Archdeacon of Pontefract has a new address:

10 Arden Court, Horbury, Wakefield, WF4 5BN.

Telephone 0924 276797.



The Editor's secretarial work has been transferred to Church House.

CHANGES-OF-ORDER must now be sent (in writing please) to:
Mr Ashley W Ellis at Church House. These are enacted quarterly
and concern quantities and copies being flat or folded.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS. Please continue to send all announcements (again in writing please) to:
The Rev Michael Bootes, and not to the Editor.

PROBLEMS. Please contact The Editor (0422 822339) if anything should be wrong with the order delivered to your parish. I know I keep on bashing away at this, but, please let The Ed know straight away!!

Please see the deadline date, and The Rev Michael Bootes' address, both are always at the foot of the last page.

Church Urban Fund Exhibition in Wakefield Cathedral



16th October 1992, 7.30 pm

A reminder of the exhibition about the work of the Church Urban Fund in Wakefield Cathedral from Friday 16th October until the 30th. The Wakefield Diocesan efforts for the CUF have always carried the name "The Bishop's Centenary Fund."

Bishop Nigel writes: T invite up to eleven members from each of our parishes to join me in a short, but stimulating celebration of the life of our parishes in the Cathedral at 7.30 pm on the 16th October? The exhibition itself will be open from 7.00 pm.

The famous Riding Lights Theatre Company will be performing for us. We will also have an opportunity to hear about exciting things that are happening in parishes across our diocese.

I would be grateful if you would let us know if you will be present. Please reply to: Mrs June Rushforth, Church House, South Parade, Wakefield WFI 1LP.

We have much to thank God for in all the parishes of our diocese. I do hope that you will be able to join me for this special evening.'

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Guide to customs of Minority Faiths
Consise Guide to the Customs of
Ethnic Minority Religions in The Diocese of Wakefield.

Published by the Wakefield Diocesan Board for Social Responsibility, 21pp.

Bishop Nigel in his first commendation of a publication to his diocese has welcomed a new guide to the customs of ethnic minority religions.

In his foreword to the Guide, Bishop Nigel writes, "Those who do not share our Christian faith have the right to be respected for their religious beliefs, and to be free to express them.

All too often the rest of us neither know nor understand their beliefs to traditional culture."

For further information about this publication, please contact The Rev George Nairn-Briggs, Church House, 1 South Parade, Wakefield WF1 1LP. Tel 0924-371802.

What's On

Oct 2, 3 & 4 Flower Festival: A Harvest Celebration at Saint John the Evangelist, Carlton near Barnsley (Church by G E Street 1878). Friday 630-830pm, Saturday 1130am-8pm, Sunday after the Parish Mass at 11am-8pm. Refreshments, stalls etc in the Parish Hall. Proceeds for the Church Restoration and Hall Refurbishment. Details from Fr John Hudson or Fr Jon Booth, Royston Clergy House # (0226) 722410.

Oct 3 The Lotus & The Cross - a day exploring the interface between Buddhism and Christianity, led by Fr Michael Gartland. Foster Place, Hepworth, near Holmfirth. Details

1 (0484) 682532.

Oct 3 Exhibition of Archives and Old Photographs at Saint Michael's Wakefield. 10am-12 noon & 2-4pm. Also Oct 4

11am-4pm.

Oct 3 Mirfield Parish Church, Church Lane. Harvest Festival Weekend. Church Flowers and Harvest decorations on display 10am-4pm. 11am Cake stall in the Choir Vestry. Organ Music from 1pm. Refreshments available. Sunday evening (4th) Songs of Praise.

Oct 3 Table Top Fayre - All Saints Parish Hall, Church Street, Darton - 10am-4pm. Good variety of stalls and food fayre available throughout the day.

Everyone welcome.

Oct 3 Harvest Craft Fayre St Mary's Church, Luddenden Village near Halifax, 10am-5pm. Various craft stalls, display and music in the church throughout the day. Refreshments available. 20p admission.

Oct 3 Craft Fair at All Saints' Parish Hall, Darton, from 10am-4pm. Admission 25p. Refreshments available.

Oct 3 Hoe Down - live reel and jigs to the former Green Ginger Band 730-1130pm at Campsmount High School, Norton. Bar, Tombola, Supper. Tickets £6 available from (0302) 700220 or at the door. St Martin's Womersley Restoration Appeal.

Oct 4 Car Boot Sale 830am-1pm Overthorpe CE JI&N School, Edge Top Road, Thornhill. £5 per car £7 per van. No traders

please.

Oct 6, 13, 20, 27. Nov 3, 10, 17, 24. An Inter-Church Youth Workers Training Programme. Mirfield Parish Rooms, Tuesday evenings, 730-930pm, Cost £25 inc manual. LEA grants may be available. Contact, Mrs Annette Smith (0924 403160) or Mrs Roz Harrison (0924 490823).

Oct 8 Harvest Festival Evensong 730pm at Saint Martin's Womersley, followed by Re-

freshments.

Oct 9 9am-4pm The Pontefract Buttercross Upmarket Mini Market Sale of Cakes, plants, produce, jams, books, bric-abrac, toys, clothes etc. In aid of Saint Martin's Womersley Restoration Appeal.

Oct 10 Day Conference on Christian Marriage organised by Wakefield Diocesan Church Union and led by Dr Martin Stringer at St Helen's Church, Athersley, Barnsley, 10am-4pm. Cost £4 including lunch. Booking/details: Mrs J Dagnell, 72 St John's Road, Huddersfield, HD1 5EA, #

(0484) 427071.

Oct 10 Celebration & Healing Service, St Mark's, Siddal, Halifax. 730pm. Speakers -John & Barbara Mudd. Featuring 'Kevin' dancing to 'Gethsemane'. Tea & Coffee following.

Oct 16 St Peter's Church, Barnsley. 730pm. 99th Anniversary of Dedication. Solemn Concelebrated Mass. Principal Celebrant and Preacher: The

Bishop of Blackburn.

Oct 16-18 Lightcliffe Art Exhibition in Lightcliffe CE School Hall, Wakefield Road, Lightcliffe near Halifax. Preview & Reception Friday 730-930pm Tickets £1.50 including glass of wine. Exhibition Saturday 10am-8pm and Sunday 1130am-415pm. Painting demonstrations, raffle, refreshments.

Oct 24 & Nov 14 Assertiveness: two opportunities to consider this as a Christian option. The first looks at the difference between being agressive, passive and assertive, coping with conflict and how to say no. The follow up gives the opportunity to apply these things to different aspects of our lives. Holy Trinity Church Huddersfield 10am-4pm. Charge £5. Enquiries & The Social Responsibility Department at Church House (0924) 371802

Oct 20-21 24 Hour Peace Vigil at Wakefield Cathedral. A Eucharist Service will be held at

noon each day. For further details please contact Mary Sanderson # (0924) 864903.

Oct 24 The Jabbok Theatre present "What the Butler Wore!" A comedy about trade to link with the One World Week theme. St Mary's Church, Penistone, 8pm. Admission £2 and £1.

Oct 25 1st Birstall (St Peter's)
Brownies Park (formerly 11th
Batley) 60th Birthday Celebrations. 3pm in Birstall Parish
Church. Anyone who was ever
enrolled as a member of the
pack is invited to the service of
praise and thanksgiving.

Nov 7 A Community Building Experience. How does a true community come into being? How can we share ourselves and be open to others? How can we find a place where our spirituality can unfold? A day of exploration led by Dee Howley and Fr Michael Gartland. Foster Place, Hepworth, near Holmfirth. Details # (0484) 682532).

Nov 28 Christmas Market with Santa Claus. 2pm The Village Hall, Womersley. Teas served.

Interested in European matters? You would be welcome at the following events organised by the Bradford Diocese:

Oct 22 Eucharistic Celebration of the Meissen Agreement. German Evangelical Church, Great Horton Road, Bradford. 730pm. Celebrant: The Provost of Erfurt, Dr Heino Falcke.

Oct 23 Michael Ramsey Memorial Lecture. Bradford University (D4 Lecture Theatre). 530pm. "Discipleship in a Changing Context" - the Provost of Erfurt.

Some further details of these European matters from the Revd Geoff Banks, Wakefield Diocesan Europe Contact Person.
Halifax (0422) 244586.

Musical Matters

Oct 5-10 Dewsbury Collegians AODS present Bellas, a new musical based on the life of the Revd Lancelot Bellas of Marsden, in Dewsbury Town Hall at 715pm. Tickets # (0924) 260350.

Oct 11 The Huddersfield Choral Society Youth Choir presents a concert in Huddersfield Parish Church at 8pm. Proceeds towards British Heart Foundation and the Choir's Tour Fund.

Oct 18 Choir of the Music School Aachen Germany. 40+ mixed voices. No entry charge - collection only. Halifax Parish Church 8pm. Halifax/ Aachen Society.

Nov 7-14 Marsden Parish Church AO & DS present Annie in the Parochial Hall, 715pm. Tickets £4.50 and £4. \$\pi\$ (0484) 844485, after Oct 19 \$\pi\$ (0484) 845311.

Nov 14 Saints and Sinners in Light: RSCM Festival of Church Music for the whole diocese in Wakefield Cathedral at 5pm. All choirs, singing groups and congregations are welcome. Area rehearsals will be held on October 14th at Wakefield Cathedral and October 21st at Halifax Parish Church, both at 730pm. (Please note that these dates/places are not as previously advertised.) For further details and copies of the music books please contact The Revd John Marshall (0422) 202551 or Canon David Baxter (0924) 361922.

Nov 14 Christ Church South Ossett. Day Conference and Celebration Service on Healing. 10am-4pm and 730pm. The speaker will be Russ Parker. for further details contact The Revd John Marsh, \$\pi\$ (0924) 263311.

Market Place

Have you any spare Large Print A & M or English Hymnal Books for use at services held in Residential Homes for the Elderly? Please contact Margaret Allott # (0226) 383882. Will collect.

Deceased loved-one's grave needs tidying? No time? Contact Tidy Grave. \$\pi\$ (0484) 843583. Reasonable charges. All year round service.

Drama therapy and Spirituality. Four two-and-a-half hour meetings facilitated by the Revd Roger Grainger, RADA Dip, DD(London), Registered Dramatherapist. Time and place to be negotiated! # (0924) 272742.

ALL ANNOUNCEMENTS go to: The Rev Michael Bootes OGS, The Vicarage, Littleworth Lane, Lundwood, BARNSLEY S71 5RG. in writing please, by 4th of preceeding month.

SEE-LINK EDITOR — The Rev Hugh N Lawrance, Christ Church Vicarage, Stainland Road, Barkisland, HALIFAX HX4 0AQ, Tel: Halifax 822339. Deadline 8th of preceeding month.

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PCC NOTES 7 SEPTEMBER

- 1 It was agreed to dispose of a small number of surplus items of furniture, to be auctioned by Philips of Leeds.
- 2 The treasurer reported on church finances.
- 3 Various fund raising items were discussed including plans for a Christmas Fair, parish Christmas cards and notelets, and commemmorative mugs.
- 4 A report was given on the completion of building works at St Cuthbert's Church. Extra heating is to be added to the vestry, and a water heater. The stained glass has been surveyed at St Cuthbert's and the report is to be considered by the fabric committee. Plans to improve drainage and to repair gutters etc at All Saints' Church were outlined.
- 5 Car parking at St Cuthbert's Church was discussed after a recent complaint. It was agreed that whilst the church council would encourage sensible parking, they have no control on how visitors to the church park their cars.
- 6 The provision of servers' albs was discussed.

FRIENDS WHO BRING CHEER

TO OUR HOSPITALS



What we now know as the League of Hospital Friends movement came into being in 1948 when the National Health Service took over Britain's voluntary and municipal hospitals. Today the United Kingdom has over 1,340 Leagues with no fewer than 350,000 members, of whom over 50,000 work actively for their hospitals, giving six million hours of voluntary service each year.

Even before the recent upheavals in the NHS, the Friends were raising a total of around £20 million a year to provide the amenities for which the State does not pay. The most

frequent gifts are the installation of new Day Rooms, but the Leagues also sponsor many other 'extras' and find the money for vital medical equipment. In the present financial climate, this role looks like becoming even more important.

The Friends also visit patients and many Leagues could do more of this if they could find more volunteers willing to give their time. There are outings and ward entertainments to be organised, trolly shops and libraries to run, flowers to arrange: the list is endless. Elderly people visiting friends or relatives in hospital are often grateful for lifts.

And the work has spread beyond hospitals, Many Leagues now serve hospices and local authority homes for the elderly. Some help to establish group homes for discharged mental-hospital patients.

If you feel you can help and have difficulty in making contact, write to the National Association of Leagues of Hospital Friends, Fairfax House, Causton Road, Colchester COl 1RJ (tel 0206 761227).



HARVESTING TECHNOLOGY

Many miracles are worked each day in our industries and commercial enterprises which have the capability to contribute to an improvement in the standard of life for everyone in the world.

By careful cultivation and use of basic materials we are able not only to provide shelter, heat, light, power, fresh water and sanitation, but also a multitude of other technological advances in areas such as medicine, communications and leisure. All these are extensions of God's creation and we we must be careful not to assume all the credit for them ourselves.

Many of our newer harvests of technology are shrouded by mystery and personal possessiveness. We can become overawed by them. We need then to keep in mind our relationship to God and his example of sharing his creation. However good or clever we think we are, our achievements pale into insignificance compared with God's almighty power.

It is our responsibility to ensure that as we reap the harvest of technology the fruits are not misused to develop weapons of mass destruction but to further miracles of healing and life saving, that the improved methods of communication and transport are not used for selfish satisfaction for the few but to help meet the basic needs of all people.

If we do not meet our obligations the prophecy of Isaiah may be fulfilled: 'They worship objects that have made with their own hands. Everyone will be humbled and disgraced. Do not forgive them Lord' (Isaiah 2:8-9).

<u>Brian Gwinn</u>



MOTHERS' UNION

7 October

9 15 am Corporate Communion at All Saints' Church.

12 October

7 15 pm Womens World Day of Prayer Committee meet at the home of Mrs Limb, 42 Barnsley Road.

15 October

6 45 pm Diocesan Council Meeting at the Unity Hall, Wakefield.

29 October

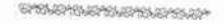
2 30 pm Service and meeting at All Saints' Church. Speaker: Mrs J White.

The Coffee Morning on 23 August raised £71.65. Many thanks to those who came, and to those who helped in any way to make this total possible. Prizes were won by Miss Meys, Mrs Hardy, Miss Smith and Mrs Dugdale.

Kitty Cooper

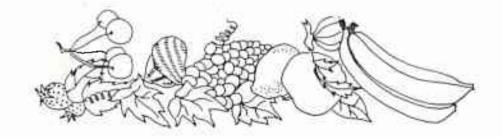


We shall celebrate Harvest Thanksgiving on Sunday 11 October. Children are invited to bring harvest gifts to the Parish Communion at 10 15 am, at St Cuthbert's Church. All gifts will go to the Children's Society.



FROM THE REGISTERS

BAPTISMS	"We welcome you into the Lord's family"
16 August 6 September	Bethany Louise Young, HM Forces, Canterbury Arianne Soohie Mary Parkinson, 48 Holly Bank
WEDDINGS	"Those whom God has joined together"
15 August	Steven Paul Durow and Ann Louise Woodall
29 August	David Antony Galley and Lisa Jayne Powell
FUNERALS	"In sure hope of the Resurrection"
29 July	Bob Dunnington, 93 Wakefield Road, 63 years
7 August	Winnifred May Beresford, 49 Westbourne Crescent, Pontefract, 70 years
12 August	Emma Greenfield, 35 Mount Pleasant, 76 years
14 August	William Hutchinson, 14 Chiltern Court, 84 years
25 August	Annie Reeve, Hemsworth Park Nursing Home, 95 years





4 PENTECOST 17

*Readings: Jeremiah 32.6-15 (Mrs K Cooper/ Mrs J Waites); Galatians 2.15-3.9 (Mrs K Cooper/Mrs M Woffinden); Luke 7.1-10 ASB 719

6 00 pm Churches Together In Ackworth, United Service, Ackworth Methodist Church. NB No Evensong at λS

5 Mon 7 30 pm PCC, SC Vestry

6 Tues 9 15 am Holy Communion (SC)

7 Wed 9 15 am Holy Communion (AS)

11 PENTECOST 18 - HARVEST THANKSGIVING

Readings: AS Ephesians 4.1 (Dr P McWilliam)

SC Matthew 13.18-30 ASB 900

13 Tues 9 15 am Holy Communion (AS)
2 00 pm Service for Mothers and Toddlers (AS)

14 Wed 9 15 am Holy Communion (AS)

18 ST LUKE THE EVANGELIST

*Readings: Isaiah 35.3-6 (Miss S Pittaway/Mr S McDougall); Acts 16.6~12a (Miss S Pittaway/Mr R Firth); Luke 10.1-9 ASB 805

3 30 pm Readers Licensing Service St George's Church, Barnsley

20 Tues 9 15 am Holy Communion (SC)

21 Wed 9 15 am Holy Communion (AS) 7 45 pm Parish Women's Group SC Vestry

25 NINTH SUNDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS

*Readings: Genesis 1.1-3.24-31a (Miss E Smith/Mrs M Ward); Colossians 1.15-20 (Miss E Smith/Mr D Cook); John 1.1-14 ASB 398

27 Tues 9 15 am Holy Communion (SC)

2 00 pm Service for Mothers and Toddlers (AS)

28 Wed ST SIMON AND ST JUDE APOSTLES

9 15 am Holy Communion (AS)

29 Thurs 2 30 pm Mothers' Union (AS)

NOVEMBER

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1 ALL SAINTS' DAY

*Readings: Jeremiah 31.31-34 (Mrs M Jackson /Mrs D Greiff); Hebrews 12.18-2 (Mrs M Jackson /Mrs B Firth); (Matthew 5.1-12 ASB 810

FLOWER ROTAS

St Cuthbert's Church 4 October Mrs J Reast 1! "Congregation 18 "Mrs Asquith

Mrs Lancaster

4 October Miss Crossley
11 Congregation
18
25 Miss M Walker

All Saints' Church

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*The first name for each set of readers refers to All Saints' 9 30 am.